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U.S. NEWS

PETERSON ARRAIGNED



Former Bolingbrook, Ill., police sergeant Drew Peterson leaves the Will County Courthouse in Joliet, Ill., Friday, May 8, 2009, after his arraignment on charges of first-degree murder in the 2004 death of his former wife Kathleen Savio, who was found in an empty bathtub at home.

See INTERNATIONAL NEWS

SPORTS NEWS

A-ROD RETURNS



New York Yankees' Alex Rodriguez throws his bat after hitting a three run homer during the first inning of a baseball game against the Baltimore Orioles, Friday, May 8, 2009, in Baltimore. Rodriguez joined the team for the first time this year after recovering from hip surgery.



Price of a barrel of petroleum today:

US\$ 58.30

At Tierra del Sol's Ventanas del Mar restaurant Mothers treated to brunch at the clubhouse



Photo by Julia Renfro

WESTPUNT – The casual elegance of clubhouse restaurant Ventanas del Mar will be the picture-perfect setting for Mother's Day brunch. The restaurant will present Live Entertainment and every Mother will receive a special gift.

Everyone will receive a Champagne Mimosa or a Punch and have the opportunity to win great door prizes. Families will gather from 11 am to 3 pm for a spectacular brunch prepared by Executive Chef Jim Rooseman and the Ventanas del Mar culinary team. Homemade soups, omelets prepared



Photo by Julia Renfro

to order, a Belgium waffle station, fresh salads, an iced fresh seafood display, international entrees created by the chef, and an assortment of decadent desserts are just some of the offerings. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are served daily at Ventanas del Mar.

Ventanas del Mar is one of the most elegant restaurants on the island with the most incredible view of the golf course, light house and ocean.

Photos by Julia Renfro

Full program at Palm Beach on Mother's day

Beach Volleyball Tournament at Bugaloe



Bugaloe Manager Myrthe Veltman, Heineken Representative Jarino Toppenberg en Bugaloe bartender Erik during the closing of the sponsoring agreement.

PALM BEACH - Sunday May 10th the popular Bugaloe Beach Bar & Grill is organizing for its 3rd anniversary, a spectacular Beach Volleyball Tournament. Locals and tourists are teaming up to participate in this fun filled tournament that takes place on

the white powered sand of Palm Beach right in front of Bugaloe Beach Bar and De Palm Pier (between RIU Palace and Radisson Resort). There will be 3 team categories **FUN** (6 players), **ADVANCED** (4 players) and **PRO** (2 players).

In a relaxed ambiance DJ Jeroen will play his favorite tunes while you can enjoy special prices on Amstel Bright. There will also be a full program for the kids. And the popular band JOYRIDE will give a smashing concert also. Everybody is welcome to visit, even when you are not playing. The after party takes place at Bugaloe Beach Bar where the band MARISELA & Aquarius will perform love on stage. "It's our goal to target a wide audience, so we are happy that the main sponsor, Heineken

Aruba, will be offering special rates on Amstel Bright that day," Bugaloe manager Myrthe Veltman says. "It's going to be a fun day in the true Bugaloe tradition. Fun, friends and happiness are the key elements. What else do you need on Mother's Day?" Myrthe asks with a smile. The volleyball event starts at 10am and will last whole day. It's already possible to sign up. At www.ArubaBeachVolleyball.com you will find all the details and as well as a registration form.

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At La Vista Restaurant a sumptuous breakfast & brunch buffet is offered from 7 am until 2 pm. The breakfast & brunch buffet offers all your favorite

salads, eggs, muffins & Danish, fresh fruits and yoghurts as well as a pizza station, fresh seafood and a carving station with ham and prime ribs. Mimosas and champagne are offered complimentary.

After a satisfying start of the day with the rich breakfast & brunch, it's time for the Mother's Day Bingo in the Grand Ballroom

with over \$8,000 in cash prizes and a Bingo Progressive at \$30,000. Bingo cards are available at the Stellaris Casino cage at 20 florins.

For dinner the Aruba Marriott offers plenty of options to treat Mom. The elegant Ruth's Chris Steak House is offering a 3-course menu for two at \$89 which includes two appetizers (salad or soup), two main courses, two side dishes and one dessert to share. Additionally all mothers receive a special gift.

The romantic beachfront restaurant Simply Fish offers a breathtaking setting under a starlit sky while serving the freshest seafood. Starting at 8:30 pm guests can enjoy the special dinner offer of a 3-course menu for two at \$89. Guests that prefer to watch a breathtaking sunset while having dinner at Simply Fish are welcome as early as 6:30 pm when the restaurant opens. Between 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm our regular menu is offered and the special offer is not available.

For a more casual setting Champions Sports Bar & Restaurant located at Marriott's Ocean Club, you can enjoy a delicious sirloin steak for only \$9.99! This offer is available from 11 am – 7 pm and includes the steak only – side orders (veggie, fries) can be ordered separately.

The entire staff at the Aruba Marriott warmly welcomes all mothers and their loved ones on Sunday May 10



and wishes all a very pleasant and joyous Mother's Day! Designated among the "World's Best Places to Stay" by Conde Nast Traveler's 2006 Gold List, Aruba Marriott Resort & Stellaris Casino boasts 411 fully renovated guestrooms – the most spacious on the island – each with large, private balconies overlooking the sparkling waters of the Caribbean Sea. On

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SITE Sets a Course to Paradise!

Aruba to Host Society of Incentive and Travel Executives' 2009 International Conference



ORANJESTAD - Aruba is thrilled to announce that the Society of Incentive Travel Executives (SITE) has selected the island paradise as the host country for the 2009 International Conference, set for December 3-6. The event will bring together the top minds in incentive travel, a multi-billion dollar global industry, to one of the Caribbean's most celebrated destinations. Aruba promises to be the "host with the most" as it welcomes hundreds of delegates from around the world for three days of educational sessions, vendor showcases, roundtables, networking events, gala dinners and much more. The 2009 International Conference will be held at the two official host hotels, The Westin Aruba Resort and the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa.

Securing this significant conference comes at a perfect time for the destination as Aruba is enjoying increased interest from around the globe. Not only has the island recently undergone over \$350 million in upgrades, expansions and renovations across all aspects of the tourism sector, but arrivals from the U.S. in 2007 were also up 3.27% over the previous year. While worldwide arrivals also saw a remarkable increase with an extraordinary 8.56% spike over 2006, with 753,816 visitors from around the world making Aruba their destination of choice in 2007.

"SITE's membership is rich with innovators who greatly influence not only the evolution of the incentive industry, but also the business outcomes of client organizations," said SITE President Padraic Gilligan. "The SITE International Conference is a superlative forum where professionals from around the world gather to share insights that help them achieve professional goals, surpass client expectations, and have a meaningful and positive impact on economies of destination cities around the world."

"We were thrilled to hear of SITE's decision to make Aruba its host location for the 2009 International Conference," said Minister of Tourism and Transportation, Edison Briesen. "The incentive travel industry is an important one for our island and we are looking forward to

showcasing the many things that sets Aruba apart from the rest of the Caribbean region throughout the conference. We are confident that SITE's commitment to bringing together the most influential minds in this field, coupled with Aruba's dedication to delivering an unmatched travel experience to all our guests, is a recipe for success."

These principals of community, leadership and growth guide SITE's vision — as well as its commitment to selecting distinct locales for its own events. Aruba, situated in the

southern Caribbean, is a tropical paradise that enjoys year-round near perfect weather, less than 20 inches of rainfall annually, extraordinary hotels and resorts, over 200 incredible international restaurants, and an extremely rich heritage. Arubans, renowned for their warmth and hospitality and known as the friendliest in the Caribbean region, proudly showcase the island's cultural and environmental diversity, and are equally devoted to respecting and preserving the island's pristine marine and terrestrial ecosystems.

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Mother's Day celebration at the David Yurman Boutique



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David Yurman collection, at the end of the much-enjoyed evening. Gina Franceschini, a US visitor to the island was the lucky winner. In our pictures, she is showing off her new watch and posing with her husband, the Gandelman's crew and other invited guests for a photo opportunity.



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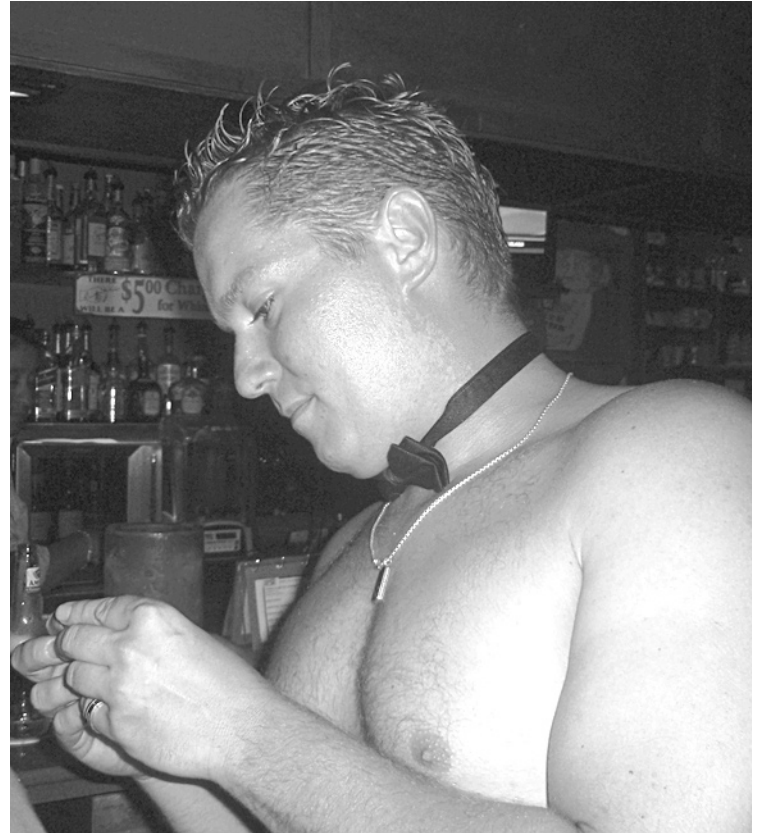
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Salt & Pepper celebrates the marriage of Jaap & Penelope



PALM BEACH - Last week Salt'n Pepper's bartender Jaap got the surprise of his life... while he was working all his friends came to drag him behind the bar for a night to remember (or not!), his bachelor party. They got him a nice outfit, not hard to attract the attention with. Did you see a nice bachelor with only a boxer and bow? Yes, that was our Jaap. The morning after he flew to Venezuela, where he got married with his beloved Penelope. The whole crew of Salt & Pepper wants to congratulate Jaap & Penelope with their marriage and wish them all the best.

Jaap will be back behind the bar on Saturday, May 9th at 6 pm, so everybody come to Salt & Pepper for a drink with our newly wed and we'll toast on them! Because he got married in Venezuela, we will give you 1 Venezuelan beer, Polar, on the house when you show this article (valid from 6 till 1 pm and only when ordered at the bar. One beer per person and per add). Salt & Pepper is located at Arawak Garden, Palm Beach, in front of Occidental Grand. Open for breakfast (8-11 am), lunch (11 am-5 pm) and dinner (5-11.45 pm). The bar is open till 1 or 2 am.

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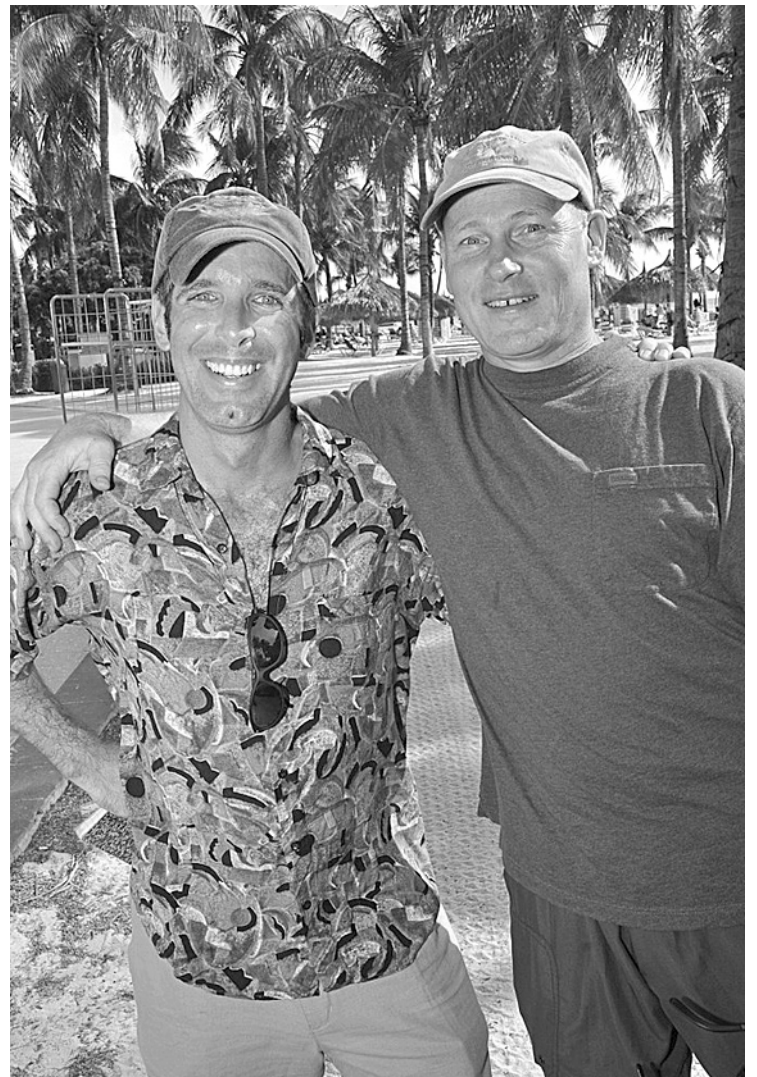


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Rocket Scientists get a little R & R on Aruba



PALM BEACH – Enjoying the exquisite beaches of Aruba this week are Environmentalists Jim Baker of Aspen, CO and Quentin Danziger of Vail, Co. Escaping the pressure of saving the world, they came to Aruba for a little bit of rest and relaxation, while saving a few minutes a day for important meetings with the sand between their toes and a cocktail in one hand. Although Jim and Quentin deserve to stay in paradise for every with their new island friends, they will return back to their super hero careers of protecting the world from our own demise on Monday. Good luck guys and may you return back to the pristine beaches of Aruba any time.

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dance.

"Havana Dance" is the biggest stage production in the Caribbean, featuring Cuban dancers and entertainers directly from Havana. The show delivers a purely Cuban spectacle, with a cast of 12 female ballerinas, 4 male dancers, 2 singers and 3 acrobats, performing a fresh program accompanied by live Cuban music performed on stage by a genuine Cuban orchestra, consisting of 5 professional Cuban musicians. This live dance AND live music combination as seen in our pictures, is 'first of its kind' on the island.

While the greater part of the "Havana Dance" review enjoys predominantly Cuban flavor, the show is graced with a truly unique Caribbean choreography, and many tropical touches. "Havana Dance" unfolds on a two-tiered stage, with entrances and exits to and off the arena at different heights, which presents a



new visual concept. The custom-designed costumes are sensual, daring, colorful, and luxurious and set "Havana Dance" apart from any other cabaret.

Producer Steve Hudson who enjoyed an unprecedentedly-successful seven-year run with his previous "Let's Go Latin" review, conceived and created an exciting and much-evolved new must-see spectacle.

Tickets for "Havana Dance" are US\$ 49.- Children under 12 pay US\$25.-

Tickets are available at the theater box office, Renaissance Aruba Resort, and can also be purchased

at the concierge's desk at the Renaissance Aruba Resort. Other ticket vendors include the De Palm Tours and Pelican Adventure Activity Centers at the resorts. A special dinner & show package is also available in conjunction with the L.G. Smith's Steak & Chop House for US\$89.- per person.

For additional information and reservations call the Crystal Theatre at Tel.: 583 6000, ext. 6115, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. After 5 p.m., call tel.: 583 6000 ext. 6357. Don't miss an opportunity to be greatly entertained by the sizzle of "Havana Dance." □

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ORANJESTAD - Why should seafood enthusiast and other diners alike go to Driftwood Restaurant? Well let's start by mentioning that their fish is caught daily by the owner himself and prepared by a local chef. "Just like mama makes it." The food is fresh, the staff is friendly, and the place is definitely buzzing. If you want to catch your own fresh fish and can't stay for a sit-down dinner, enjoy their Charter Fishing trip and have them prepare it for you. Trust me; it doesn't get any fresher than this: From pier to plate as their motto says.



Fried fish would be the common choice, but you can get your entrée broiled, grilled or baked. However you can indulge in the more guilty options for lobster, Alaskan king crab legs, grouper, shrimp, Black Angus tenderloin and so forth. Ease your

conscience and add a salad or go all out and try their delicious crab cakes, fish soup, garlic escargots, lobster crepe and coconut shrimps before your hearty entrée.



While seafood stars at Driftwood, fish-phobic diners will not go hungry. They have a staggeringly vast menu, which doesn't miss much of anything, from authentic Aruban seafood, lobster, Alaskan king crab legs to chicken, lamb or steaks.

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Maggy's Duty Free Perfumes & Cosmetics Hosts a Narciso Rodriguez fragrance launch



ORANJESTAD—On the eve of Mother's Day, Maggy's Duty Free Perfumes & Cosmetics, the mega store in the heart of town received many local visitors for the launch of a new fragrance, Essence by Narciso Rodriguez. The launch was attended by Scarleth Padilla, Marketing executive of Beaute Prestige International and Patrician Martinez the company's area manager who also conducted a generous raffle among invitees. Garufa cocktail lounge in collaboration with Romar

Trading Company served Cosmopolitan Martinis and Apple Martinis while guests were introduced to Essence, a musky fragrance with powdery notes of Iris, Rose petals and Amber, presented in an artistic glass bottle by designer Ross Lovegrove, and made famous by the beautiful face of Australian model Catherine McNeil. Essence is the designer's second fragrance. Narciso Rodriguez, a Cuban-American worked for Anne Klein as Women's Design Director under Donna Karan,

and later he moved to Calvin Klein where he worked on the Women's Collection. In 1997 he launched his own label, and the world first paid close attention to him when he created the instantly-famous wedding dress of fellow Calvin Klein employee Carolyn Bessette Kennedy for her wedding to John F. Kennedy, Jr. He also created a stir lately when Michelle Obama wore one of his red and black creations when she joined her husband, Barack Obama, appearing for the first time as president-elect of the United States, on the stage at Grant Park in Chicago. The party at Maggy's in honor of Essence by Narciso Rodriguez was organized by Sylvia Dennert, Marketing & Sales Executive, Maggy's Duty Free Perfumes & Cosmetics, and attended by the owner Audrey Lacle and her daughters, who also work for the business. Pictured here the fragrance launch, Audrey and precious grandson, artist Ciro Abath, custom-engraving Essence glass bottles, and sax player Delbert Bernabella and his musical combo.



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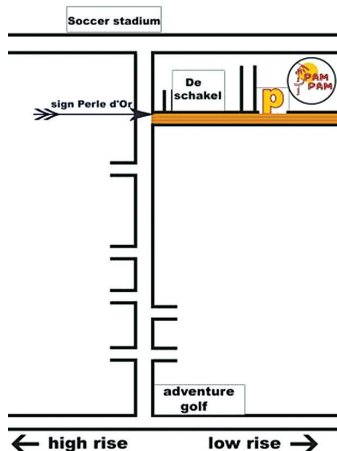
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Pam-Pam Café, located in the charming Perle D'Or Resort in Bubali, is the place to be on Friday evenings for a great taste of regional music, dance, food and hospitality, as proprietors and hosts Nico and Monique van de Borne welcome guests for their weekly "Latin Night."

Pam-Pam Café is situated in a delightful tropical setting that is the perfect backdrop for a show by 2002 World Salsa Champions Janice and Oslin Boekhoudt, who run their Pachanga Dance School

out Perle D'Or. They and their dance troupe put on a show of the exotic Zouk, originating from the French islands of Guadeloupe and Martinique, and inspiration for the Brazilian Lambada. If their sensual movements inspire any audience members, they can sign up at Pam-Pam for private dance lessons from the Pachanga crew, which also teach Salsa and Merengue.

In addition to the island music and dance, reasonably priced snacks (10.50 in Aruban florins (\$6) for an Assorted Snack Platter or Buffalo Wings among

other choices) and cocktails are available throughout the evening. From 11 PM until closing time, Pam-Pam offers a special on top shelf whiskey for only 6 Aruban

florins (\$3.50)

If you are looking for the "real deal" in Caribbean entertainment and ambiance and a chance to rub elbows with islanders, schedule Pam-Pam Café as your Friday night entertainment!

Pam Pam restaurant

First-time patrons will be pleasantly surprised by an appealing a la carte menu that is quite affordably priced, and main courses, (25) which are priced between \$13 / \$22.

Pam-Pam's house specialty is a unique method of preparation, which presently,

in Aruba, is found only at their establishment and which they have dubbed their "Gourmet Meal." A grill and a collection of the freshest of ingredients for the various dishes ordered are assembled tableside, and patrons prepare the food themselves, controlling their preference of seasonings and garnishes, along with degree of doneness, providing a unique and personal taste treat. It is suggested that reservations for this singular dining experience be made one day in advance.

When you want to see restaurants menu, visit: www.visitaruba.com Phone; 5877710 or 5932660

"Aruhiba" Aruba's homemade cigar



ORANJESTAD - Benjamin Petrochi has started the newest

export product of Aruba, locally produced cigars called 'Aruhiba'. These cigars are produced and cultivated in Aruba. Petrochi has always had an interest in the cigar business and has also sold cigars from outside, and now he is growing his own tobacco crop. After many attempts and trips to Santo Domingo and Cuba he started his own production and cultivation of "Aruhiba" cigars in Aruba. The process took 5 years Petrochi's dedication to the cigars is important for the molding and



process of making a perfect cigar which takes a long time. The cigar case is specially designed for the cigars with the logo 'Aruhiba' and 'Made in Aruba'. Petrochi considers 'Aruhiba' a promotion for Aruba through fine quality cigars.

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name of the game. But there is more. The chocolate fountain is at work and you can dip a marshmallow into the dark brown, gooey delight for just one dollar. Buy one when you are waiting for your purchase and your day will be good. But of course hearts is what Mother's Day is all about.

We love our mothers and she knows it. So the heart-shaped boxes filled with heart-shaped pralines will be flying out the door, predicts Taste of Belgium manager Anja, who is busy making special US \$ 25 and \$ 35 Mother's Day baskets filled with chocolates and a lovely dessert wine. Lots of different choices in boxed chocolates fill the store:

choose between tinfoils with gold trim, lovely red boxes, even the cornets look delicious, already starting at US \$ 5 per box. The chocolates that fill the boxes come in aloe, white cognac, dark orange and dark cherry liquor or any other taste you like. Mmmm. At Taste of Belgium – the Chocolaterie, you can order a cappuccino, a cup of tea or

a juice with a slice of yummy cake or with a Belgian waffle. Store hours are from 9 am till 7 pm on weekdays and Saturdays. But whatever you do, don't forget to wrap your sweet mom on Mother's Day with chocolate love. Picture: Anja and Norris of Taste of Belgium Chocolaterie with a Mother's Day Surprise Basket.





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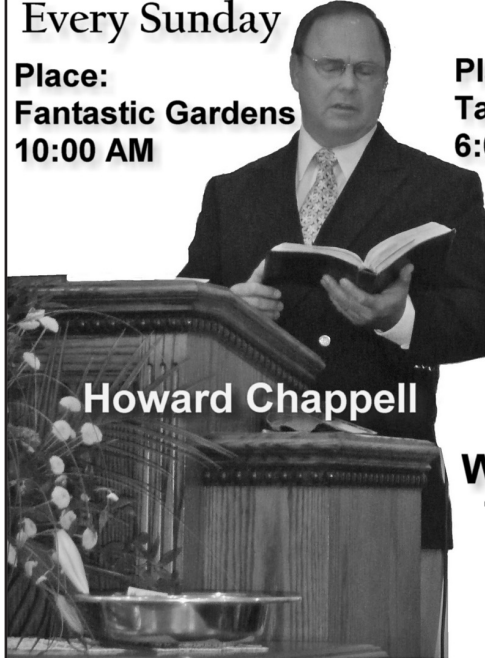
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commemorative plaques, and customary envelopes. Nominees for the Heart of the House included Ronald Humphrey Vos, Painter Engineering Department, Zulaica Tromp, Reservation Agent, Javier Mendoza, Stewarding Renaissance Convention Center and Ann Marie Williams, Landscaper.

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popular choice as he received a round of appreciative applause as the winning Landscaping Manager.



Pictured here the top performers for the quarter at the celebration hosted in their honor.



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Okeanos Spa continues Yoga at sunset



ORANJESTAD – Okeanos Spa offers new Yoga sessions, every Tuesday at the Renaissance Ocean Suites on the beach, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The class finishes just about sunset and is guaranteed to de-stress and relax all those who take it.

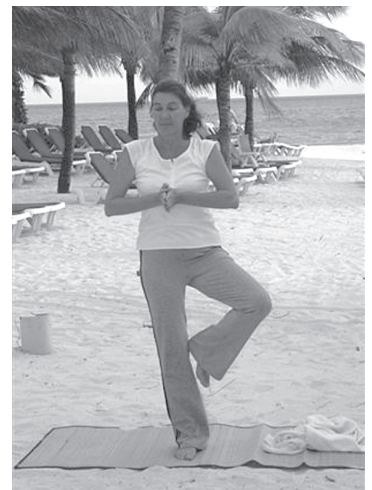
The class is taught by yoga-master Leontine Merkies and offers gentle stretches, deep breathing, and the mastery of various relaxation techniques. The class is presented in English but can also be offered in Dutch and Papiamentu. Okeanos Spa extends an



invitation to both locals and visitors to sign up at Awg 50 per month and be introduced

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Advance reservations can be made at Okeanos Spa, Yoga, says Leontine, is suitable for all ages and will magically deliver a cheered up disposition, and improved health, also an instant feeling of wellbeing and lightness of spirit, promises Frans Tromp, the resort's activities coordinator.



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(10) times since. This year, family members Joseph and Toniann Pernice and Michael and Charisse Skelly came to Aruba with them for their anniversary visit. Ralph wanted it to be a special and memorable visit so he contacted wedding coordinator Lissy Lampe of Ceremonies and Celebrations to arrange the beach sunset vow renewal ceremony. Ms. Lampe had all arrangements,

including floral bouquets and the officiator, finalized before the couple even arrived in Aruba. The ceremony was delivered by Rev. Jacob of the Anglican Church in Aruba in front of Paradise Villas Resort. The couple and their family followed the ceremony with a sunset champagne toast and a fabulous dinner at Madame Janette restaurant.



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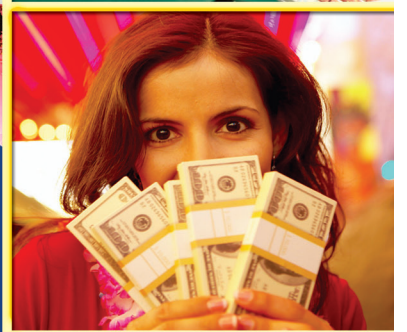
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In this May 7, 2009 photo, a U.S. Forest Service fire engine is in place at a home that is threatened by an approaching wildfire in Santa Barbara, Calif.
Associated Press

30,000 ordered to flee So. California wildfire

RAQUEL MARIA DILLON

Associated Press Writer

SANTA BARBARA, California (AP) — A raging wildfire that has destroyed scores of homes in the Santa Barbara hills menaced the celebrity enclave and other coastal towns Friday, and the number of people ordered to flee climbed to 30,000.

Authorities warned an additional 23,000 to be ready to leave at a moment's notice.

Columns of smoke rose off the Santa Ynez Mountains as the 4-day-old blaze — fanned by “sundowner” winds that sweep down the slopes in the evening — blew up from 2,700 acres to 3,500 acres in less than a day, creating a firefighting front five miles long.

“It’s crazy. The whole mountain looked like an inferno,” said Maria Martinez, 50, who with her fiancé hurriedly left her home in San Marcos Pass, on the edge of Santa Barbara. The couple went to an evacuation center at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

An unknown number of homes were destroyed in the fires that began Thursday night, in addition to the estimated 75 houses that burned the night before on the ridges and in the canyons above Santa Barbara.

No deaths or serious injuries were reported.

The number of people ordered to evacuate rose to 30,500 from 12,000 the night before as the blaze pushed west toward neighboring Goleta and east toward well-to-do Montecito.

In a scene of strange contrasts, students bicycled to classes and midterms as ash fell on campus, and boats bobbed in Santa Barbara’s harbor as smoke rose from the mountains above town.

The Santa Barbara area has long been a favorite of celebrities. Oprah Winfrey has an estate in Montecito, where Charlie Chaplin’s old seaside escape, the Montecito Inn, has stood since 1928. A ranch in the mountains that Ronald and Nancy Reagan bought became his Western retreat during his presidency.

More than 2,300 firefighters battled the blaze, using at least 246 engines, 14 air tankers and 15 helicopters. A DC-10 jumbo jet tanker capable of dumping huge loads of retardant began making runs on the fire in the afternoon.

The cause of the blaze, which broke out Tuesday, remained under investigation. Evacuation shelters were set up, and hotels offered deals to evacuees.

“Right now, if you’re not evacuated in the Santa Barbara area, you are sheltering evacuees,” DiMizio said. Oscar Funez, 39, his wife, Patricia, 42, and their son, Augustin, 4, were watching the fire on television Thursday night when they noticed other tenants leaving their Santa Barbara apartment building. They packed a suitcase and fled, too. “It’s our fourth fire in Santa Barbara. We know we have to have everything — paperwork, clothes, everything — ready to go,” Oscar Funez said.

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Obama aims to refocus unemployment system



President Barack Obama, accompanied by Maureen Pike, a registered nurse from Baileyville, Maine, left, and Sharon Arnold, a small business owner from Illinois, speaks about jobs, Friday, May 8, 2009, in the Eisenhower Executive Office building on the White House complex in Washington.
Associated Press

By DARLENE SUPERVILLE

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama wants unemployment insurance to become a stepping stone for future work by making it easier to enroll in school or job training. Whether he succeeds will depend on the willingness of states and colleges to change the rules.

People who have been laid off and want to go back to school often have to give up their monthly unemployment checks. And if they decide to return to school, they often don’t qualify for federal aid because eligibility is based upon the previous year’s income.

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Pakistani army vows to oust Taliban militants

RIAZ KHAN

Associated Press Writer

MARDAN, Pakistan (AP)

— Pakistan’s army vowed to eliminate militants from a northwestern valley but warned that its under-equipped troops face thousands of Taliban extremists who have seized towns, planted bombs made from pressure cookers, and dragooned children to be suicide bombers.

As air force jets roared overhead and gunbattles raged, terrified civilians from the Swat Valley and neighboring districts accelerated their exodus, with U.N. and Pakistani officials predicting 1 million refugees will soon burden the turbulent Afghan border region.

The army formally announced

Friday that an offensive was under way. It has drawn praise from U.S. officials alarmed at the Taliban’s recent advance to within 60 miles (100 kilometers) of the capital, Islamabad.

Washington describes the militants as an existential threat to nuclear-armed Pakistan itself, as well as to U.S. chances of destroying al-Qaida or of winning the war against their insurgent allies in neighboring Afghanistan.

“The army is now engaged in a full-scale operation to eliminate the militants, miscreants and anti-state elements from Swat,” said Maj. Gen. Athar Abbas, chief army spokesman.

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White House aide quits over New York City flyover



In this photograph released by the White House, Air Force One flies over the Statue of Liberty in New York in this undated photograph.

PHILIP ELLIOTT

Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — A top White House aide resigned Friday for his role in Air Force One's \$328,835 photo-op flyover above New York City that sparked panic and flashbacks to the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks. The sight of the huge passenger jet and an F-16 fighter plane flying past the Statue of Liberty and the lower Manhattan financial district on April 27 sent panicked office workers streaming into the streets. Obama said it would not happen again.

The aide, Louis Caldera, said the controversy had made it impossible for him to lead the White House Military Office effectively. "Moreover, it has become a distraction in the important work you are doing as president," Caldera said in his resignation letter to President Barack Obama. An internal White House investigation found missed messages and an out-of-the-loop Caldera. The former Army secretary said he did not know that Air Force One, the president's jet, would fly at 1,000 feet altitude during the April 27 photo shoot, failed to read an e-mail message

detailing the plan and did not recognize the potential for public fear.

Caldera's office approved the photo-op, which cost \$35,000 in fuel alone for the plane and two jet fighter escorts. The Air Force estimated the photo shoot cost taxpayers \$328,835.

White House officials said the flight was designed to update the official photo of the plane, known as Air Force One when the president is aboard. The White House released a photo of the blue-and-white plane high above the Statue of Liberty, with New Jersey in the background.

The White House also released a report on the incident late Friday via e-mail, with a short written statement from White House press secretary Robert Gibbs. There was no statement about the matter from Obama, who last month declared the embarrassment a "mistake" and vowed it would not be repeated.

The White House report, which did not deal with officials' conduct outside the White House, portrayed Caldera as unaware of the potential for public fear

and deaf to concern. After the flight, Caldera met with top administration officials and was asked if the White House had been notified. "The director responded yes, someone had mentioned it to him," according to the report. The White House report also indicated the operation had been packed with potential opportunities for administration officials to call it off.

Deputy military director George Mulligan said he first told Caldera about the proposed photo shoot on April 20, a week before it was scheduled. The same aide also said Caldera should have notified deputy chief of staff Jim Messina because it was an unusual move.

Caldera told officials he did not recall the conversation. Ultimately, Caldera told neither Messina nor Gibbs. "When asked why he failed to do so, he did not offer a coherent explanation," according to the report.

Caldera also told officials that he had not read an e-mail detailing the flyover plans until the flight was finished. Mulligan, Caldera's second-in-

command, sent him an e-mail message on April 24 advising him again to tell Messina and Gibbs about the photo shoot. Caldera said he had not seen the e-mail because he has two official accounts. He also said he was suffering from severe muscle aches and had been prescribed pain medication. Friday's release is hardly the end of the matter for the White House. Defense Secretary Robert Gates has ordered a review at the Pentagon; the Air Force is conducting its own review as well.

In a May 5 letter to Republican Sen. John McCain, Gates said planning for the mission began in late March and resulted in numerous teleconferences to coordinate and complete preparations for the flight.

"I am concerned that this highly public and visible mission did not include an appropriate review and approval by senior Air Force and (Department of Defense) officials," Gates wrote.

Gibbs said Obama has ordered a review of how the White House Military Office is set up, and how it reports to the White House and the Air Force.

U.S. team concludes island search for missing poet

BEN NEARY

Associated Press Writer

CHEYENNE, Wyoming (AP) — An American rescue team had no luck on its final day of searching for a U.S. poet missing on a remote Japanese island, but a Japanese team will continue working, a rescuer said Friday.

Craig Arnold, a University of Wyoming assistant professor of English, vanished April 26. He was in Japan as part of a creative writing program and was hiking on a volcano on the island of Kuchinoerabu-jima, which is about 30 miles (48 kilometers) off Japan's southern Kyushu island. David Kovar, of the California-based 1st Special Response Group, said Friday that four members of his team followed Arnold's tracks over the top of the volcano to an extremely steep area of the island.

Arnold's tracks showed that he was heading back to a lodge where he was staying on the island after crossing the volcano, Kovar said.

"We believe Craig was going cross-country at that point, and the terrain got progressively more difficult to travel," he said.

The team must leave the island for other commitments, he said, but the Japanese government has committed a technical climbing team to continue to search the area identified by the American team.

Earlier, Kovar had said the team had dramatically reduced the size of the search area to under 2 square miles (5 square kilometers) of dense vegetation and steep terrain, and expressed hope that progress would be made.

"We know where he last was and the direction of travel," Kovar said. "It gives us a great deal of confidence that something should be resolved today — or if not today, then local resources can continue to work it."

He added that it would be difficult for Arnold to survive in the area, particularly if he took a fall, but said that "people have survived in worse environments."

Arnold, 41, is the author of two award-winning books of poetry. He was in Japan through the U.S.-Japan Friendship Commission's Creative Artists Exchange Fellowship and was working on a book on volcanoes.

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Liberty's crown, closed since '01, to open July 4

VERENA DOBNIK
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The Statue of Liberty's crown, with its exhilarating view of New York's skyscrapers, bridges and seaport, is reopening on Independence Day for the first time since terrorists leveled the World Trade Center just across the harbor.

Safety and security issues have been addressed and 50,000 people, 10 at a time, will get to visit the 265-foot (80-meter)-high crown in the next two years before it is closed again for renovation, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar said Friday.

"On July 4, we are giving America a special gift," Salazar said at a news conference on nearby Ellis Island. "For the first time in nearly eight years we will once again be able to have one of the most awesome experiences in the world." Interior Department officials said they had not yet determined how to choose who climbs to the top. Spokeswoman Kendra Barkoff said a lottery is one possibility. Salazar "wants the tickets to be distributed not based on your connections but in a fair and equitable way," she said.

The statue was closed to the public because of security concerns after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. The base, pedestal and outdoor observation deck were reopened in 2004 but the crown remained off-limits. Tourists can now climb to the top of the statue's pedestal and a lower observation area. Starting July 4, they'll be able to mount the 168 steps leading to the crown and its 25 windows.

Some of the windows offer a view of the Manhattan skyline, no longer punctuated by the 110-story twin towers of the World Trade Center.

The Park Service had said in the past that the narrow, double-helix spiral staircases could not be safely evacuated in an emergency and didn't

comply with fire and building codes. Tourists often suffered heat exhaustion, shortness of breath, panic attacks, claustrophobia and fear of heights.

Democratic Rep. Anthony Weiner, who has for years pushed for the crown to be reopened, once called the decision to close it off "a partial victory for the terrorists." On Friday, he said he sent a letter to Barack Obama, inviting the president to be the first person to tour the reopened crown on July 4.

A National Park Service spokesman said last year that the statue's designer, Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, never intended for visitors to ascend to the crown.

Salazar said the decision to reopen it was based on a National Park Service analysis that included recommendations on reducing risk to visitors. Only 30 visitors an hour will be allowed to visit the crown, and they will be brought up in groups of 10, guided by a park ranger. Also, the handrails on the stairway will be raised.

"We cannot eliminate all the risk of climbing to the crown, but we are taking steps to make it safer," Salazar said.

The majestic copper statue, 305 feet (92 meters) tall to the tip of its raised torch, was a gift from France designed to mark the 1876 centennial of the U.S. Declaration of Independence. It faces the entrance to the harbor, welcoming the "huddled masses yearning to breathe free," in the words of Emma Lazarus engraved on a bronze plaque inside the statue.

The torch has been closed since it was damaged by a saboteur's bomb in 1916.

Today, visitors are screened before boarding ferries and again before they can visit the museum in the base or climb to the top of the pedestal.

The crown will be closed again after two years for work on a permanent safety and security renovation, the

department said. Barkoff said other parts of the statue may also be closed for that work, but the museum in the base will remain open.

When the project is done, about 100,000 visitors a year should be able to get to the crown, officials said.

On Friday, Salazar also announced that \$25 million in stimulus funding will be used for improvements at Ellis Island, the historic immigration center in New York Harbor. The work will include stabilizing the 1908 Baggage and Dormitory Building, which housed immigrants awaiting processing, and repairing the



This undated file photo shows a close up of the Statue of Liberty. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar announced Friday, May 8, 2009 that the statue's crown will reopen on July 4 for the first time since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Associated Press

island's crumbling seawall. Acres of the island are still off-limits to the public, including a dilapidated hospital, a morgue and infectious disease wards where sick immigrants were either cured or died before

they could start a new life in America.

The Interior Department said 40 percent of American citizens can trace a family connection to Ellis Island.

Barack moves up; U.S. baby names Emma, Jacob rule

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Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barack moves up, but the classics still rule. Emma is the top US baby name for girls, Jacob for boys.

Emma's surge to the top in 2008 ended Emily's 12-year reign as the No. 1 baby name for girls, the Social Security Administration announced Friday.

Jacob held onto the boy's crown for the 10th straight year.

Barack may have been the man of the year in 2008 as Obama won the White House, but the president still trails the king. Barack moved up a record 10,126 places to No. 2,409. Elvis is still around, though he slipped from 673 to 713.

Isha Kallay of suburban Washington named her son — born before last year's presidential election — Obama. She said she was concerned that Barack might become too popular a name.

"I wanted my baby to have a special name that other people don't have," Kallay said. Baby naming experts said



President Barack Obama speaks during an unannounced visit to a Spanish language town hall meeting on the H1N1 swine flu virus, Friday, May 8, 2009, in the Eisenhower Executive Office building on the White House complex in Washington.

Associated Press

Americans are pulled by sometimes conflicting impulses when choosing names for their children. They gravitate toward the popular, wanting their child to fit in. But many also want their child's name to be unique, so they don't have to share it with four other kids in class at school.

Many turn to the Bible; others turn to TV.

Emma debuted in the top 10 in 2002, the same year that Jennifer Aniston's character

on "Friends" gave the name to her TV show baby. In the latest lineup, Emma was followed by Isabella, Emily, Madison and Ava.

"They might want to emulate the stars, but if they do, the name can't be too far out," said Jennifer Moss, author of "The One-in-a-Million Baby Name Book" and founder of Babynames.com.

"You don't see many Apples," she said, referring to name actress Gwyneth Paltrow gave her daughter.

Obama aims

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Under rule changes Obama outlined Friday, the Labor Department will ask states to make exceptions during economic downturns so that the unemployed can keep their benefits if they go to community college or pursue other education or training. State governments, not Washington, decide who is eligible for unemployment, and they generally require anyone collecting assistance to be actively looking for work. That can complicate plans to attend school. The Education Department, meanwhile, will encourage colleges to factor in the financial situation of an unemployed person applying for Pell Grants or other education and job training aid. Starting in July, the maximum Pell Grant, which helps low-income students afford college, will receive a \$500 boost to \$5,350.

Community colleges applauded the president's plan. George Boggs, president of the American Association of Community Colleges, said Obama would remove obstacles that keep the unemployed from heading back to school. The association represents about 1,200 such colleges. "Sometimes we don't give our government credit for doing things that make sense," Boggs said. "It's great to see government stepping in and removing these disincentives." However, one state-level critic accused Obama of avoiding the question of cost. "Like so many of the president's initiatives, the answer for who pays the bill is state taxpayers and future generations," said South Carolina Gov. Mark Sanford, a Republican and one of Obama's sharpest critics on spending issues. "No matter how well-intentioned this proposal is, we can't keep stacking debt on top of debt to deal with problems that were, in many cases, created by too much borrowing," Sanford said.

Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour, a former Republican Party chairman, said his state already allows the unemployed to enroll in job training and encourages them to do so. The federal government sets eligibility for Pell Grants, but colleges interpret the rules based on guidance from the Education Department. With proper instruction, Boggs said colleges would be willing to help the unemployed become eligible grant money. Obama said it was time to change "senseless rules" that discourage displaced workers from getting needed education and training so they can find and perform the jobs of the future. "The idea here is to fundamentally change our approach to unemployment in this country, so that it's no longer just a time to look for a new job, but is also a time to prepare yourself for a better job," Obama said.

"That's what our unemployment system should be — not just a safety net, but a stepping stone to a new future. It should offer folks educational opportunities they wouldn't otherwise have," the president said. Obama commented shortly after the government reported that 539,000 more jobs were lost in April, pushing unemployment to 8.9 percent, the highest level since late 1983. Still, it was the smallest job loss in six months, as the pace of layoffs dropped from more than 600,000 in March. Obama said it was "somewhat encouraging" that the monthly job-loss figure had fallen, but that "it's still a sobering toll." In order to exit the recession in a better position than before, "we have to make sure we have a work force that's trained better than before." The president said he has asked his education and labor secretaries to encourage states and colleges to make the changes he called for, and to inform anyone collecting unemployment of the training programs and financial support available to them.

Both departments also have launched a new Web site, <http://www.opportunity.gov>, to help get the message out.



Sgt. Dee Moore, right, with the Secret Service, answers questions from a line of job seekers at a career fair in McLean, Va. on Friday, May 8, 2009. The pace of layoffs slowed in April when employers cut 539,000 jobs, the fewest in six months. But the unemployment rate climbed to 8.9 percent, the highest since late 1983, as many businesses remain wary of hiring given all the economic uncertainties.

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House speaker explaining interrogation briefing

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WASHINGTON (AP) — It is a political squall that will not die: What did Nancy Pelosi, speaker of the House of Representatives, know about harsh CIA questioning of detainees, and when did she know it?

On Friday, the California Democrat was forced to issue yet another news release reiterating her past assertions that she had been briefed in 2002 only about new interrogation techniques that had been deemed legal and were planned for future use.

Pelosi had made the same comments in 2007 when word first leaked that she was aware of the interrogation program and had not objected to it.

Her latest statement came three weeks after the Justice Department released formerly classified legal memos that detailed the once-secret CIA interrogation program that included tactics many consider torture, and two weeks after she told reporters that when she got her sole CIA briefing on interrogation in 2002, she had no idea the technique of waterboarding had already been used on a prisoner.

Waterboarding is a form of simulated drowning that President Barack Obama himself called torture last week.

The House speaker was responding to this week's release of CIA records that indicate Pelosi was briefed in September 2002 on the harsh methods that were then being used. That appeared to contradict Pelosi's version, which said she understood the techniques were planned only for future use.

The CIA's records were vague on what exactly she and then-House Intelligence Committee Chairman Porter Goss were told. Former President George W. Bush later named Goss director of the CIA. The agency identified 39 other congressional briefings on interrogation methods, spanning nearly seven years. In only 13 of them was waterboarding noted specifically as a topic of discussion. It was not specifically noted in the only Pelosi briefing. That briefing references "enhanced interrogation techniques" that had been approved and used. By inference, that would include waterboarding.

Goss claimed in an opinion piece in The Washington Post two weeks ago that Pelosi and he were specifically told that waterboarding had been used against Abu Zubaydah, one of three CIA prisoners subjected to the method. But even the CIA suggests that its account of the meetings will not settle the debate over who knew what and when.

"In the end, you and the committee will have to determine whether this information is an accurate summary of what actually happened," states the May 6 cover letter from CIA Director Leon Panetta to Democratic Rep. Silvestre Reyes, chairman of the House Intelligence Committee.

Pelosi is one of many Democrats who favor a truth commission to examine fully the CIA's Bush-era interrogation program. Her critics claim she is trying to distance herself from the program now that it has been publicly examined and condemned by the new administration.

Ill. law allowing hearsay to shape Peterson case

By SOPHIA TAREEN and
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JOLIET, Ill.—Drew Peterson's third wife will have a chance to "testify from the grave" under an Illinois law passed amid the media frenzy over his missing fourth wife, but some say prosecutors could be on shaky legal ground if they plan to build their murder case around that testimony. Peterson appeared in court Friday, the day after he was charged with killing Kathleen Savio, his third wife who was found dead in a dry bathtub in 2004 with a gash on the back of her head.

Wearing a red jumpsuit, the 55-year-old Peterson showed off his handcuffed hands and told reporters: "Three squares a day and this spiffy outfit. Look at all this bling." A judge postponed his arraignment until May 18 because no Peterson attorneys were present at the hearing.

Prosecutors have not said much about the evidence they have against Peterson in Savio's death, but it's clear they want to use the law to let Savio tell jurors why Peterson wanted her dead.

"In essence, what you're basically allowing the victim of a violent crime to do is testify from the grave," Will County State's Attorney James Glasgow said Thursday in announcing the charges against Peterson.

The Illinois law allows a judge to admit hearsay evidence in first-degree murder cases if prosecutors can prove the defendant killed a witness to prevent them from testifying. It passed last year amid attention to the October 2007 disappearance of Peterson's

fourth wife, 23-year-old Stacy Peterson.

Possible evidence in the Savio case includes letters of protection in which she said Peterson would kill her to shut her up and her sister's testimony to a coroner's jury that Savio told her family it would be no accident if she died.

Peterson's attorneys have vowed to challenge the constitutionality of admitting such evidence. The Constitution guarantees criminal defendants the right to confront his accusers, something they can't do with an absent witness.

Joel Brodsky, one of Peterson's attorneys, has said that allowing Savio's statements would amount to the court allowing "rumor and innuendo" as testimony. Brodsky also said he could argue that the law was passed specifically to put Peterson behind bars, which is also unconstitutional.

"They're changing the law, changing the rules, changing forensic findings to get this guy," he said. "The law was not supposed to be made for a particular case."

The law's sponsors were careful never to link it publicly to Peterson. State Sen. A.J. Wilhelmi, D-Joliet, said the law wasn't designed for any single case, but one Republican analysis of the Democratic bill noted that it was introduced "in response to the Drew Peterson case."

The law requires a judge to hold a pretrial hearing to study whether the evidence shows that the defendant killed a witness and did so to prevent the witness from

testifying. The judge would also have to decide whether the hearsay is reliable and whether admitting it would be in the best interests of justice.

The process alone puts the law on shaky ground, according to Joseph Tacopina, a defense attorney whose clients included a suspect in the 2005 disappearance of American teenager Natalee Holloway in Aruba.

Tacopina said the judge's decision to admit statements would indicate to a jury that the judge thinks the suspect is guilty.

David Erickson, a former appellate court judge who teaches at Chicago-Kent College of Law, believed the law will stand up and said at least 12 other states have passed similar statutes.

He also said the Illinois bill and those of other states came in response to a 2004 U.S. Supreme Court decision that found the right of a defendant to confront his accusers has a key exception: if the defendant acted with the intent to prevent that person from testifying.

"Think of mob cases where they kill guys to keep them from testifying," he said.

State Rep. Jim Durkin, R-Western Springs, said the concept isn't controversial, but the Peterson case helped the legislation pass quickly with hardly any opposition. "It became noteworthy because the Drew Peterson situation was starting to pick up some steam," said Durkin, one of the measure's sponsors in the state House. Savio's cause of death, initially ruled an accidental



Former Bolingbrook, Ill., police sergeant Drew Peterson yells to reporters as he arrives at the Will County Courthouse in Joliet, Ill., Friday, May 8, 2009, for his arraignment on charges of first-degree murder in the 2004 death of his former wife Kathleen Savio, who was found in an empty bathtub at home.

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Cal. Wildfire

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At historic Santa Barbara Mission, established by the Spanish in 1786, the Rev. Tom Messner was one of three friars permitted to remain

during the evacuation. He helped make sandwiches for the firefighters.

Messner said there was plenty of smoke, but "I can't see the flames, and we have firetrucks in front of the place, so we feel very safe." The church, a major tourist attraction,

was built in 1820, after an earthquake destroyed the previous structure.

Officials said 11 firefighters had been injured, including three burned in a firestorm Wednesday. They were reported in good condition at a Los Angeles burn center.

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Pakistan army soldiers guard a road to Pakistan's troubled Swat valley, where security forces are fighting with Taliban militants, at Dargai, 90 kilometers (56 miles) from Peshawar, Pakistan, on Friday, May 8, 2009. Pakistani jets screamed over a Taliban-controlled town Friday and bombed suspected militant positions as hundreds of thousands fled in terror and other trapped residents appealed for a pause in the fighting so they could escape.
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Taliban

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"They are on the run and trying to block the exodus of civilians from the area."

There are doubts about the ability and resolve of the army and the government to sustain the kind of grinding counterinsurgency warfare needed to defeat extremists whose rhetoric resonates widely in a Muslim nation deeply skeptical of U.S. goals in the region.

Abbas sought to counter portrayals of the military as ill-trained, saying that they had learned a lot in eight years of fighting along the border. But he said they need helicopters, surveillance drones and night-vision equipment, which the U.S. is scrambling to provide. Pakistan's army is fighting to wrest Swat and two neighboring districts from militants who dominate the adjoining tribal belt along the Afghan frontier, where U.S. officials say al-Qaida chief Osama bin Laden is likely holed up.

The army announced its offensive after Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani said the government would wipe out groups trying to "take Pakistan hostage at gunpoint." Battles and bombing runs by helicopters and jets have been going on all week.

Abbas said Friday that more than 140 militants and two soldiers had been killed in Swat in the last 24 hours — roughly doubling the number of casualties reported so far. The latest figure included 100 militants killed in bombardments of remote training camps and arms

dumps. Abbas didn't explain how the body count was done. Fighting in neighboring Buner and Lower Dir killed another 31 militants and three soldiers, he said.

Officials say they are unable to confirm accounts from fleeing civilians of innocents killed and wounded by indiscriminate gunfire and shelling. Abbas said troops were advancing slowly to try to minimize such collateral damage.

But the stream of civilians seeking safety appeared to have intensified, leaving Pakistan facing a humanitarian emergency.

The mayor of Mardan, the main district to the south of the fighting, said an estimated 250,000 people had fled in recent days. Of those, 4,500 were staying in camps, while the rest were with relatives or rented accommodation, he said.

On Friday, the U.N. refugee agency said provincial officials had told them 500,000 had fled, were on the move, or were trying to flee. About a half-million have already been made homeless elsewhere in the border region since August 2008, when the army launched its last major anti-Taliban operation in the Bajur border region.

Tens of thousands of people are trapped in Mingora, Swat's main town. Some have accused the Taliban of not allowing them to leave, perhaps because they want to use them as human shields. Others came under attack even as they fled.

Taliban militants seized much of the area under a peace deal,

even after the government agreed to their main demand to impose Islamic law in the region.

U.S. officials likened the deal to a surrender. Pakistani leaders said the agreement's collapse had opened the eyes of ordinary citizens to the extremist threat.

Abbas wouldn't say how long it would take to clear the valley of 4,000 or 5,000 militants, including small numbers of foreigners — Tajiks and Uzbeks — as well as Punjabi extremists and tough Waziri fighters.

He said the military was reinforcing the 12,000 to 15,000 troops already in Swat. He gave no details, but he predicted a tough fight against militants who exploited the peace deal to regroup, descend from mountain hideouts and seize most of Swat's towns.

The troops faced guerrilla tactics, including remotely detonated homemade bombs made of explosives, steel pellets and nails packed into pressure cookers, Abbas said. Mines have been laid in Mingora.

Insurgents had forcibly recruited young boys from poor families in Swat, and sent some of them to train as suicide bombers in the South Waziristan tribal region, he said.

"We have seen with the capture of Mingora that the initiative has been taken by the militants," said Nasim Zehra, a fellow of Harvard University's Asia Center and a prominent Pakistani security analyst. "It's obviously an operation that is going to take weeks, or more."

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British MPs expense X-rated movies, horse manure

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LONDON (AP) — It has all the makings of a Monty Python sketch — prim British lawmakers caught in a farce over expense claims for everything from X-rated movies to a bathtub plug.

But reality has come home to roost in the often absurd world of Her Majesty's Government.

Friday's leaked list of lawmaker expenses has leveled another blow to Prime Minister Gordon Brown's beleaguered government, which has been blamed for a litany of problems ranging from the Iraq war to the deepening recession.

According to the details published by Britain's Daily Telegraph, Brown paid his brother Andrew more than 6,500 pounds (\$9,800) in two years for a maid the two shared when Brown was Britain's Treasury chief. The newspaper declined to say how it had obtained expense claims from 13 ministers but promised to roll out more in the coming days.

Home Office Secretary Jacqui Smith expensed two X-rated movies her husband watched, which she later repaid. Housing minister and former Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett claimed 600 pounds (\$900) for hanging plant baskets. And former Deputy Prime Minister John Prescott claimed 300 pounds (\$450) over two years to fix broken toilet seats.

The list could also prove damaging to the opposition Conservatives — one Tory lawmaker expensed fertilizer used on his country house garden while a different lawmaker put in for cans of cat food.

Other expenses, categorized only by political party, included toilet seats, horse manure, wine rack, rat poison, pool maintenance, piano tuning, a chocolate Santa and a pizza cutter.

"I know people will be angry and it looks very bad," Harriet Harman, a Cabinet minister, told the BBC. "We recognize that ... public confidence is dented and we want to restore respect for the House of Commons."

The Telegraph offered more details in its Saturday edition, reporting that tourism minister Barbara Follett claimed more than 25,000 pounds (\$38,000) over a four-year period for security patrols, CCTV cameras and alarms outside her London home. Follett is married to best-selling thriller writer Ken Follett, and the couple have a multimillion-pound (dollar) fortune.

The newspaper said Follett also claimed 528.75 pounds (\$805.78) for a Chinese needlepoint rug to be repaired and cleaned, but was only paid back 300 pound (\$457) after the cost was deemed excessive. Follett said all her claims were within the rules.

Rules governing British lawmaker expenses are laid out in the 66-page Green Book — a guide sent to every legislator. It sets limits on expense claims, such as a 25 pound (\$38) cap on eating out when away from home and how much can be claimed toward a second home, usually a residence in London.

Lawmakers can claim annual expenses, including 24,000 pounds (\$36,000) toward running and paying for their second home, up to 90,000 pounds (\$135,500) on staff, 21,000 pounds (\$31,600) on office costs and an unlimited amount on travel for parliamentary business.

Though the guidelines don't ban any specific items, the rules say expenses should relate to parliamentary work and shouldn't damage the Parliament's reputation.

"The rules are being stretched to the absolute limit in a way which is allowing MPs to enhance their personal income," said Alistair Graham, who was in charge of standards in Britain's Parliament until 2007.

Figures released to Parliament show that the 646 House of Commons legislators claimed 93 million pounds (\$134 million) in allowances and expenses last year.

"I've said (the system) is wrong and it should be amended," said Brown. "We want to abolish the present system and replace it with something different and that's why I made the proposals I did a few days ago."



Britain's Prime Minister Gordon Brown attends a ceremony to unveil a memorial to murdered police officer Sharon Beshenivsky in Bradford, England, Friday May 8, 2009. Associated Press

Members of the public complain the expenses system is too generous, isn't independently audited and follows rules drafted by the lawmakers themselves.

"There can be no greater proof of the need for urgent and wholesale reform of MPs' expenses than the fact that so many people at the top of government have been making such dubious claims," said Matthew Elliott of the lobby group the TaxPayers' Alliance.

Justice Secretary Jack Straw, who claimed housing taxes he'd never actually paid, explained his mistake in a handwritten note trying to correct the matter: "Accountancy does not appear to be my strongest suit."

British lawmakers, who are paid 61,000 pounds (\$93,100) annually, had long refused to offer itemized receipts for their claims on public money, until a ruling under freedom of information laws ordered them to make the details known.

About 2 million receipts for claims by British legislators will be published in July under the ruling, but the newspaper said Friday it had obtained the material ahead of its planned release.

The House of Commons authorities asked police Friday to investigate the leaking of the expenses details. Several newspapers reported that they had been offered computer discs for a three-figure sum by a businessman who claimed he had access to a duplicate of

the scanned expense receipts.

In the U.S., where lawmakers are paid an annual base salary of \$174,000, Congress allots each House and Senate office between \$1.4 million and \$1.9 million to cover official expenses such as rent, equipment and travel. Each legislator manages his or her own office account under long-standing rules that forbid use of the money for personal,

social or political purposes.

U.S. lawmakers are forbidden from claiming expenses for personal, social or political purposes. Alaskan Republican Ted Stevens lost his recent election bid after he was found guilty of receiving more than \$250,000 in gifts and home renovations from a corrupt oil field services contractor. His conviction was later overturned.

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NZ police retrieve officer's body; siege continues

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WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — A loud explosion and gunshots rang out early Saturday at the home of a man who has held New Zealand police at bay for more than two days after allegedly killing an officer.

Police said the blast was set to gain access to the house in the North Island city of Napier, part of which has been largely shut down since the standoff began early Thursday.

Former army reservist Jan Molenaar, 51, fired a fusillade of shots from an automatic rifle at police who arrived Thursday morning to search the house for cannabis. Two other officers were seriously wounded, along with a bystander who was shot while

wrestling with the gunman.

Officers denied reports that Molenaar had been killed or hurt.

Superintendent Sam Hoyle said while police had not heard from Molenaar for several hours, they were assuming he was still "alive and dangerous" as the siege entered its third day.

"We are mindful that he has played possum with us in the past," he said, adding that specialist equipment capable of detecting explosives would be used to examine the house for possible booby traps before entry.

After volleys of gunfire kept police from retrieving their colleague's body for more than a day, officers opened fire from armored personnel carriers Friday to retrieve the

body.

"We are pleased for the family that we are able to bring him out — it has been a traumatic and immensely difficult time for them," Hoyle said.

Late Friday night, police also rescued "very much alive" a police dog, named Fi, that had been trapped inside a police van since the shooting began, police said in a statement.

One of two wounded police officers and the civilian remained in critical condition, while the second wounded officer was stable and out of critical care, Napier hospital said.

Hoyle has said police prefer to wait out the gunman rather than storm the house.

Intermittent negotiations with Molenaar have been tense, and he allegedly fired



Armed policemen are fitted with bullet proof vests at the scene in Napier New Zealand, on Friday May 8, 2009 after a deadly shooting that left at least one dead and three wounded. The shooting spree that killed one and wounded three more began after three unarmed officers arrived at the property with a warrant to search for cannabis.

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on police "dozens of times," Hoyle said.

"We are dealing with a very complex character and, as you might expect in negotiations going on for this amount of time, he goes through various mood swings," he told reporters.

Hundreds of residents of the

port city remained cut off from their homes, and local businesses and three nearby schools remained closed.

New Zealand is among few countries in the world where police routinely do not carry guns. The officer shot dead was the 29th killed on duty in New Zealand since 1890.



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Angry protests in Haiti over slaying of countryman

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PETIONVILLE, Haiti (AP)

— Angry demonstrators hurled stones and tore down a sign at the Dominican Republic's embassy in Haiti on Friday to protest the decapitation of a Haitian in Santo Domingo.

About 150 protesters massed outside the walled compounds of the neighboring country's embassy and nearby consulate, but Haitian police prevented them from entering. U.N. peacekeepers with riot gear waited nearby but did not enter the fray.

Some protesters shoved pictures of the decapitated body of Carlos Nerilus, a migrant worker whose body was found Saturday, into the faces of Haitian police. "Justice for Carlos!" they shouted as they pushed at the human barricade.

They broke a window at the embassy and burned a makeshift Dominican flag. The embassy's sign was carried to the consulate, jumped on, defaced and thrown at the building as diplomats looked on from inside. The protesters also chanted slogans against President Rene Preval, whom they criticized for his silence following the attack.

"Every time they kill four or five of us Haitians, we do nothing. That is why they keep killing us!" one protester shouted.

Dominican officials downplayed the protest, with the Foreign Ministry describing the slaying as an "incident between individuals" related to the previously unsolved murder of a Dominican businessman.

Police Maj. Jose Lluberes

said Nerilus's slaying was meant to avenge the businessman's death, but no evidence has been presented that the Haitian migrant was involved.

Dominican Prosecutor Miguel Morfe said a man identified as Confesor Reyes has been charged in Nerilus' killing, with involuntary homicide and possession of an illegal weapon. A judge has ordered him to remain in prison for three months while authorities investigate.

Reyes' attorney, Isaias Matos, said his client is innocent and argued unsuccessfully against his detainment. It is unclear what kind of evidence police have against Reyes.

Haitian officials question whether Dominican police could have prevented Nerilus' killing.

The neighboring countries have a bitter history.



Demonstrators burn a Dominican Republic's flag during a protest in Port-au-Prince, Friday, May 8, 2009. People hurled stones and tore down a sign at the Dominican Republic's consulate in Haiti to protest the decapitation slaying of a Haitian in Santo Domingo. Associated Press

Dominicans mark their independence from the 1844 end of a Haitian occupation, while Friday's protesters invoked the 1937 Dominican massacre of at least 10,000 Haitian migrants and dark-skinned Dominicans caught

up in immigrant raids. An estimated 1 million people of Haitian descent live in the Dominican Republic. Many suffer violence and discrimination, including the denial of citizenship to their Dominican-born children.



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Rodriguez, Sabathia lead Yankees over Orioles 4-0

By DAVID GINSBURG

AP Sports Writer

BALTIMORE — Alex Rodriguez announced his return to the Yankees by hitting a three-run homer on the first pitch of his late-starting season, CC Sabathia pitched a four-hitter and New York ended a five-game losing streak by defeating the Baltimore Orioles 4-0 Friday night.

Tormented by stories of his steroid use and slowed by hip surgery that forced him to begin the season on the disabled list, Rodriguez could finally turn his attention toward playing baseball when he stepped to the plate in the first inning against Jeremy Guthrie (2-3).

As a dozen fans waved plastic foam syringes a few rows behind the plate, A-Rod stepped into a fastball and sent it soaring into the left-field seats. It was his 554th career home run, and for sheer theater, it just might have been



New York Yankees' Alex Rodriguez hits a three-run home run during the first inning of a baseball game against the Baltimore Orioles, Friday, May 8, 2009, in Baltimore. Rodriguez joined the team for the first time this year after recovering from hip surgery. Associated Press

in the Top 10.

The shot sure came at the right time for the Yankees, whose five-game skid was their longest under second-year manager Joe Girardi. During that losing streak, New York went 6 for 43 with runners in scoring position.

Rodriguez struck out in the third and fifth innings against Guthrie, then grounded out against Bob McCrory in the seventh to finish 1 for 4. But that one hit was a doozy; while A-Rod was gone, New York third basemen hit a combined .202 with no homers and 10 RBIs over 28 games.

Rodriguez's home run was all the support the Yankees needed for Sabathia (2-3), who stopped a run of four starts without a victory. It was by far his finest performance since signing a \$181 million, seven-year contract with New York during the offseason.

The husky left-hander allowed singles to the first two batters he faced, then retired 23 of the next 24 batters — the

exception a third-inning walk to Brian Roberts — leading up to the ninth.

Cesar Izturis and Roberts opened the ninth with singles before Sabathia got three straight outs to end it.

Sabathia struck out eight, walked one and gained a measure of revenge for an opening-day loss to Baltimore, when he gave up six runs and eight hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Guthrie also settled down after the first, when he walked Johnny Damon and Mark Teixeira before yielding the home run to Rodriguez. Over the next five innings, New York failed to score and got only one runner past second base.

After Guthrie departed, Damon hit an RBI double off McCrory in the seventh for a 4-0 lead.

Early in the game, it appeared Rodriguez's homer might not be enough offense to carry the Yankees.

NHL Playoffs

Ladd's goal gives Blackhawks OT win

CHICAGO (AP) — Andrew Ladd tipped in teammate Dave Bolland's long shot less than 3 minutes into overtime to give the Chicago Blackhawks a 2-1 comeback victory over the Vancouver Canucks on Thursday to level the NHL Western Conference semifinal at 2-2.

Game 5 is Saturday night in Vancouver.

Martin Havlat tied it at 1 with 2:44 left in regulation after it looked as if Roberto Luongo was going to shut out the Blackhawks. Ladd shoveled the puck off the boards, and Havlat's wrist shot from the between circles beat Luongo high.

In overtime, Bolland chased down the puck along the boards and fired a shot from beyond the right circle. Ladd was in front of Luongo and tipped it in at 2:52.

Ladd's winning goal came after the Canucks had two point-blank shots to score, but were turned away by Nikolai Khabibulin.

Darcy Hordichuk opened the scoring for

Vancouver midway through the second period, taking a pass from a spinning Rick Rypien and beating Khabibulin.

Red Wings 6, Ducks 3

At Anaheim, California, Johan Franzen and Marian Hossa each scored twice to help Detroit Red beat Anaheim and level the Western Conference semifinal series at 2-2.

After Franzen, who also assisted on Hossa's first goal, scored two first-period goals, Hossa broke a 2-2 tie with goals in a 3:05 span of the second period.

Game 5 is Sunday in Detroit, and Game 6 is Tuesday night in Anaheim.

Mikael Samuelsson also scored, Henrik Zetterberg added an empty-netter, and Valterri Flippula had two assists for the Red Wings.

Chris Osgood made 25 saves for Detroit, while the Red Wings were able to chase Ducks goalie Jonas Hiller after Samuelsson's goal early in the third.



Chicago Blackhawks' Duncan Keith (2), Jonathan Toews (19), Patrick Sharp, Cam Barker, right, and teammates celebrate after beating the Vancouver Canucks 2-1 in overtime during Game 4 of the NHL Western Conference semifinal hockey series in Chicago, Thursday, May 7, 2009.

Associated Press

Cejka opens the lead at Players

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Florida (AP) — Alex Cejka ran off three straight birdies in shooting 5-under 67 to build a two-shot lead over Ian Poulter at The U.S. Players Championship on Friday.

Neither of the top two have ever won on the U.S. PGA Tour, and only one player in the 35-year history of this event has ever made this his first tour victory. An eclectic group four shots behind include Masters champion Angel Cabrera, former U.S. PGA champion David Toms and Jason Dufner, an alternate when he showed up on Monday who earned a tee time through someone else's misfortune.

Tiger Woods did his best to get back into the hunt, with a delicate pitch out of the mounds for a short birdie, and making an important save on the par-5 16th by trying to land short of the green with his third shot, even though he was only 45 yards away.

"I got myself back in the ball game," Woods said after a 69 left him seven shots behind.

Seven shots sounds like a lot, but perhaps not at TPC Sawgrass, where even small mistakes can lead to big numbers.

Cejka avoided that better than most. He didn't hit the ball as pure as the first round, when he hit every fairway and missed only one green on his way to a 66, but he made six birdies in 11 holes to

reach 11-under 133 and get into the final group on the tour for the first time in nearly five years.

"I'm pretty excited to sit here two days in a row," he said.

Kevin Na, who played with Cejka before no more than a few dozen people for most of the round, tried to make up ground and had a 66 to finish in the group at 7-under 137, along with Cabrera (65), Dufner (70), Toms (70), Henrik Stenson (69) and John Mallinger (71).

Cejka didn't seem overly surprised to be leading, despite his recent health issues. He had surgery to replace a disk in his neck last year and everything was going well until he couldn't feel his arm two weeks ago. He had an epidural, regained some feeling in his arms, hands and fingers, then got right back to work.

"In New Orleans, where I didn't feel anything at all, I really played from tee-to-green phenomenal," he said. "I just had no feeling, and I couldn't make putts. The feeling is better, and I can see it on the greens. So we'll see what happens the next two days."

Phil Mickelson was thankful he gets to play for two more days. He struggled with his putting most of the round and shot 1-under 71, making birdie on the last hole to make the cut on the number.

"You never want to give up here, because too many things can happen on this golf course," Mickelson said.

Cejka proved that anything can happen off the golf course.

Born in Czechoslovakia, he was 9 when he fled communism and traveled through four countries before settling in Germany, not known as fertile soil for golf. But he took interest in the game, especially after watching Bernhard Langer win the Masters in 1985.

"For me, it was a vacation," he said. "Of course, probably my dad was nervous as hell just leaving everything behind, taking the son and a little backpack and just weaving through three of four countries into the west."

Poulter is well known in these parts, despite never winning. He has played on two Ryder Cup teams for Europe, a questionable captain's pick last year until winning four matches in a U.S. victory.

He loves the big stage, whether it's the Ryder Cup or his runner-up finish at the British Open last year. As long as he can eliminate the mistakes and avoid rash decisions — no small task at Sawgrass — he feels his time is coming.

"It would mean everything," he said. Woods, meanwhile, is lurking. He hit a few wild tee shots, but managed a birdie from one of them on the 14th hole when he caught a flat lie at the bottom of a slope and hammered an 8-iron over an oak tree to 25 feet.

"I'm hitting it good enough where I can miss that tree," he said.

He nearly ended in spectacular fashion, punching a 7-iron under the trees and bouncing it up the 18th fairway to 10 feet, but he missed the birdie putt and was in the large group at 4-under 140.

Woods thinks he can make a move on Saturday. He just isn't sure in which direction.

"The way the pins are for tomorrow, you can probably shoot a good one if you play well," he said. "But you have to hit the ball well. You've got to take advantage of the slopes. Because if you don't, and you hit the wrong side, then you're going to be in some tough spots."



Alex Cejka, who started the second round one shot off the lead, reacts to an errant tee shot on the third hole during the second round of The Players Championship golf tournament at TPC Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Friday, May 8, 2009. (AP)



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Skins Game to take year off due to economy

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, California (AP) — The Skins Game, a silly season tradition for nearly three decades, became golf's latest victim of the economic downturn when organizers said it would be postponed this year with no guarantees it would return.

IMG, which manages the Skins Game, had been negotiating a contract extension with LG when the South Korean-based electronics company elected not to renew.

"We did another pass through the marketplace and couldn't find a title sponsor," said Mark Steinberg, head of IMG's golf division.

The Skins Game was a novelty when it began in 1983 with Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, Gary Player and Tom Watson. It has struggled to attract an All-Star lineup in recent years, and TV ratings have plunged.

K.J. Choi won it last year, ending the two-year reign of Stephen Ames. Fred Funk won the year before that.

Organizers said they plan to bring the Skins Game back in 2010 to Indian Wells, California, but that starts with finding a title sponsor, which is tough to come by in this economic climate.

"We're going to try hard," Steinberg said. "There's so much history and tradition with this event."

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File - Dom DiMaggio of the Boston Red Sox, left, and his brother Joe DiMaggio of the New York Yankees are shown, in this July 12, 1949 file photo. Dom DiMaggio, a seven-time All Star who still holds the record for the longest consecutive game hitting streak in Boston Red Sox history died early Friday morning May 8, 2009 at his Massachusetts home. He was 92.

Associated Press

Red Sox great Dom DiMaggio dies

By MARK PRATT
Associated Press Writer

BOSTON — Dominic DiMaggio, the bespectacled Boston Red Sox center fielder who made his own mark on the major leagues despite playing in the shadow of Hall of Fame brother Joe and teammate Ted Williams, died early Friday at his Massachusetts home. He was 92.

DiMaggio died at about 1 a.m. with the Red Sox television replay of Thursday night's game on in the background, said his son, Dominic Paul.

"He was in and out of consciousness, but he was acknowledging it. He was a Red Sox fan until the end," his son said.

DiMaggio was surrounded by his family, according to his wife, Emily. He had been battling pneumonia, the Red Sox said in a statement. "He was the most wonderful, warm, loving man," his wife of 61 years said. "He adored his children, and we all adored him." DiMaggio was a seven-time All Star who still holds the record for the longest consecutive game hitting streak in Boston Red Sox history.

Safina, Kuznetsova reach Rome finals

ALESSANDRA RIZZO
Associated Press Writer
ROME (AP) — Top-ranked Dinara Safina beat Venus Williams 6-7 (3), 6-3, 6-4 Friday to advance to the finals of the Italian Open, where she will play Svetlana Kuznetsova in an all-Russian clash.

Kuznetsova beat Belarusian teenager Victoria Azarenka 6-2, 6-4 in the other semifinal at the Foro Italico.

Safina and Williams battled it out with ferocious hitting, with the American often rushing the net to finish off points. Both players fired winners as momentum shifted between the two during their 3 hour, 9 minute match.

"It was a very long match and I think I played one of my best tennis (matches), that I hadn't played for a long time," Safina said.

Williams closed out the first-set tie-breaker with a delicate drop volley, and then went on to break her opponent in the opening game of the second set.

But the 23-year-old Russian came back to level the match after a little more than two hours.

In the third set, players exchanged breaks until



Russia's Dinara Safina reacts after defeating U.S. player, Venus Williams during a semifinal match at the Italian Rome Masters tennis tournament in Rome, Friday, May 8, 2009. Safina won 6-7(3), 6-3, 6-4.

Associated Press

Safina got the decisive one and won on her third match point, after committing three double faults and saving four break points.

"It was not easy mentally," said Safina, who had lost her two previous matches with Williams.

Safina had 32 winners, compared to 38 for Williams. But she also committed fewer unforced errors.

Williams, by reaching the semifinals in Rome, is still assured of jumping from her current No. 5 position to third — her highest ranking in six years.

The clash Saturday will be a repeat of last week's Porsche GP final in Germany, where Kuznetsova won in straight sets to capture her first title in almost two years. Both players have also been runners-up in Rome, Safina three years ago and Kuznetsova in 2007.

"It was good (to win) in two sets," Kuznetsova said. "But it was very difficult for me, she was hitting as hard as she could."

Kuznetsova landed little more than half of her first serves but hit 23 winners — 10 more than her opponent — and broke Azarenka three times in the first set.

In the second, the sixth-seeded Azarenka pushed ahead with a break but appeared to lose her concentration as she disputed a call by the umpire in the third game. She lost the next five games and lost on the fourth match point.

"When I was already playing much better and everything, this thing happens and it takes me right from where I started," said the 19-year-old Azarenka.

Kuznetsova said her opponent should not have been so worked up.

"To me, she (got) too upset for no reason," she said. "It was just one ball in the match."

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Estudiantes con mascarillas conversan fuera de una sala de clases en una universidad en Ciudad de México. Las autoridades pidieron el viernes a los mexicanos que sigan cumpliendo con las medidas para protegerse de la epidemia de influenza, mientras el país vuelve a la normalidad pero sigue reportando muertes y contagios por el virus. REUTERS/Henry Romero

Popularidad de presidente Uribe es alta aunque sigue cayendo

BOGOTA (Reuters) - La popularidad del presidente de Colombia, Alvaro Uribe, continúa cayendo por los escándalos de corrupción, de violaciones a los derechos humanos y el impacto de la desaceleración económica, pero mantiene el apoyo para una eventual reelección, reveló el viernes una encuesta.

La popularidad del mandatario marcó un 68 por ciento en abril, un punto porcentual menos que la de febrero y muy

por debajo del 85 por ciento que logró en julio de 2008 después del rescate de la ex candidata presidencial Ingrid Betancourt, tres estadounidenses y 11 efectivos de las Fuerzas Armadas.

“Sigue descendiendo muy lentamente en sus índices de gestión. Viene cayendo de su techo histórico que era 85, ha perdido 17 puntos en el transcurso de estos meses”, dijo Jorge Londoño, gerente de la firma Gallup que realizó la encuesta.

MEXICO DF (Reuters) - Las autoridades pidieron el viernes a los mexicanos que sigan cumpliendo con las medidas para protegerse de la epidemia de influenza, mientras el país vuelve a la normalidad pero sigue reportando muertes y contagios por el virus.

Aunque el ritmo de contagios se ha estabilizado de acuerdo con las autoridades, el Gobierno reportó el viernes que los muertos subieron a 45 desde 44 y los infectados se incrementaron a 1,364 desde los 1,112 casos anunciados el jueves.

“Tenemos 45 defunciones confirmadas, que representan el 3.3 por ciento de los casos confirmados con influenza A H1N1”, dijo el secretario de Salud, José Angel Córdova, en rueda de prensa.

México ha sido epicentro de la epidemia de gripe H1N1 -que mezcla cepas porcinas, aviarias y humanas-, la cual se ha extendido a 25 países infectando a más de 2,000 personas según la OMS, aunque informes de los Gobiernos elevan la cifra a más de 3,000.

Después de haber paralizado parte de la actividad económica y la vida social por cinco días para prevenir contagios, México decidió reabrir desde el miércoles restaurantes, bares,

discotecas, universidades, escuelas, estadios, iglesias y cines.

“Si bien la epidemia parece estar estabilizándose en este momento y las medidas adoptadas están teniendo impacto, es imperativo seguir cumpliendo con las medidas de control que se han adoptado”, dijo Oscar Mujica, analista senior de la Organización Panamericana de la Salud (OPS), junto a Córdova.

Después de que la capital mexicana estuviera llena de personas con tapabocas en las últimas dos semanas, el viernes pocos se veían caminando con su rostro cubierto.

La mascarilla es una de las principales recomendaciones de la secretaría de Salud para evitar contagios, junto con el lavado de manos, la atención médica oportuna y medidas como mantenerse a distancia de otras personas y evitar saludar de mano y beso.

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AS OF APRIL 1ST, INTERTRANSFER/MONEYGRAM, OFFERING WORLDWIDE SERVICE FOR SENDING AND RECEIVING MONEY, WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE OUR MERGER WITH M LHUILLIER NOW PAYING OUT IN US DOLLARS IN THE PHILIPPINES. WITH THOUSANDS (1,100) OF STORES THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES AND SOME 150 STORES GIVING 24 HOURS SERVICE, WE ARE SURE WE WILL BE ABLE TO PLEASE YOU WITH A SPEEDY, EFFECTIVE AND FRIENDLY SERVICE.

TO ENSURE OUR OPTIMAL SERVICE, WE REMAIN WITH OVER 4,998 ADDITIONAL AGENTS THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES WHOM CONTINUE TO PAY OUT IN FILIPINO PESOS FOR THOSE WHOM PREFER THIS PAYMENT METHOD.

DIRECCIONES / OFICINAS DE INTERTRANSFER
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Atención al Cliente
588-7919



Mother's Day Special

This year you will give your mother her best Mother's Day ever at Tango Restaurant!

Only for mothers a special cocktail!
& an extra surprise during dinner!

Menu For only \$29 per person

Appetizer	Entrée	Dessert
Caesar salad or Union Soup	Filet Mignon or Surf and Turf or Grouper fillet	Chocolate cake or Flan caramel

We warmly welcome you to Tango Restaurant located at Arawak Garden on Sunday May 10 from 5:00 pm till 10:30 pm - For reservation please call (297) 586 8600 or send us an email tango@artubawineanddine.com



Café the Plaza (at Renaissance Marketplace, Downtown) International Cuisine Phone: 583-8826 Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner and Daily Live music. Open from 10.00 am - 01.00 am 7 days a week www.cafetheplaza.com	Tango Argentine Grill (at Arawak Garden, High Rise Hotels) International Cuisine and Charcoal Grill Phone: 586-8600 Dinner and Daily Live Music. Open from 5.00 pm - 11.00 pm 7 days a week www.tangoaruba.com	Salt & Pepper (at Arawak Garden, High Rise Hotels) International Cuisine and Tapas Phone: 586-3280 Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner. Daily Live music. Open from 8.00 am - 01.00 am 7 days a week www.saltandpepperaruba.com	MooMba Beach (between Holiday Inn & Marriott Surf Club) International Cuisine Phone: 586-5365 Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Enjoy barefoot dinner Open from 7.00 am - 11.00 pm Bar open from 10.00 am - 01.00 am www.moombabeach.com	Sopranos Piano Bar (at Arawak Garden, High Rise Hotels) Bar with Live Entertainment Phone: 586-8622 Extensive Cocktail menu. Daily live piano music request songs & singalong Open from 5.00 pm - 01.00 am 7 days a week www.sopranospianobar.com	Matilde Restaurant (Downtown) International Cuisine AAA/4 Diamond Award Phone: 583-9200 Lunch and Dinner A refined dining experience. Restaurant open from 11.30 am - 11.00 pm 7 days a week www.matildearuba.com	Mambo Jambo Latin Bar & Grill (Royal Plaza Downtown) Intern. & Latin Cuisine Phone: 583-3632 Lunch, Dinner, Live Bands, Salsa Dancing & good music 7 days a week Restaurant open from 11 am till 9 pm Bar open 11am till 04 am www.mambojamboaruba.com	Hadicurari Restaurant (between MooMba Beach and Marriott Surf Club) International and Seafood Cuisine Phone: 586-2288 Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Restaurant open from 8.00 am - 11.00 pm 7 days a week www.hadicurari.com
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